IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 1, 2, 9, 10, 17 and 18, as follows.

1. (Currently Amended) An image display control system having a controller for outputting a signal including at least a pair of video and acoustic signals, and an independent image display device for receiving a signal from the controller and displaying a corresponding image, comprising:

first detection means, <u>arranged in the controller</u>, for detecting a first <u>ambient</u> environment <u>around</u> of the controller;

second detection means, arranged in the image display device, for detecting a second ambient environment around of the image display device;

first adjustment means, arranged in the controller, for adjusting a first characteristic of the image display device;

second adjustment means, arranged in the image display device, for adjusting a second characteristic of the image display device; and

control means for selectively operating one of said first and second adjustment means in accordance with at least one of the detection results each detection result of said first detection means and second detection means.

2. (Currently Amended) The image display control system to according to claim 1, wherein said control means selectively operates one of said first and second adjustment means to perform an adjustment operation when at least one of the detection results each detection result of said first and and/or second detection means changes not less than a predetermined degree.

- 3. (Previously Presented) The image display control system according to claim 1, wherein adjustment operations controlled by said control means are distributed between said first and second adjustment means in advance.
- 4. (Previously Presented) The image display control system according to claim 1, further comprising:

transfer means for transferring the detection result of said second detection means between the image display device and the controller, said transfer means being capable of transferring an adjustment result obtained upon an adjustment operation by one of said first and second adjustment means in the image display device and the controller to the other one of the image display device and the controller, and

wherein said controller selectively operates one of said second adjustment means of the image display device and said first adjustment means of the controller to perform necessary adjustment by said one of said first and second adjustment means when the detection result transferred by said transfer means is an environmental change requiring adjustment by said one of said first and second adjustment means.

- 5. (Previously Presented) The image display control system according to claim 3, wherein said second detection means detects a change in brightness, and said first adjustment means of the controller performs an adjustment operation corresponding to a change in brightness.
- 6. (Previously Presented) The image display control system according to claim 3, wherein said second detection means detects a change in color temperature, and said second adjustment means of the image display device performs a color temperature adjustment operation.

- 7. (Previously Presented) The image display control system according to claim 3, wherein said first detection means detects a busy telephone signal, and said second adjustment means of the image display device performs a volume adjustment operation to reduce noise in accordance with the detection result of said second detection means.
- 8. (Previously Presented) The image display control system according to claim 3, wherein an adjustment result of said second adjustment means is informed to the controller.
- 9. (Currently Amended) A control method for an image display control system having a controller for outputting a signal including at least a pair of video and acoustic signals, and an independent image display device for receiving a signal from the controller and displaying a corresponding image, the control method comprising:
- a first detection step of detecting a first <u>ambient</u> environment <u>around</u> of the controller, the first detection step being executed in the controller;
- a second detection step of detecting a second <u>ambient</u> environment <u>around</u> of the image display device, the second detection step being executed in the image display device;
- a first adjustment step of adjusting a first characteristic of the image display device, the first adjustment step being executed in the controller;
- a second adjustment step of adjusting a second characteristic of the image display device; the second adjustment step being executed in the image display device; and
- a controlling step of selectively executing said first and second adjustment steps in accordance with at least one of the detection results each detection result in the first detection step and the second detection step.

- 10. (Currently Amended) The control method according to claim 9, wherein one of the first and second adjustment steps comprises performing an adjustment operation when at least one of the detection results each detection result in the first and and/or second detection steps changes not less than a predetermined degree.
- 11. (Previously Presented) The control method according to claim 9, wherein adjustment operations controlled in said control step are distributed between the first and second adjustment steps in advance.
- 12. (Previously Presented) The control method according to claim 9, further comprising:

a transfer step of transferring the detection result in the second detection step between the image display device and the controller, said transfer step being capable of transferring an adjustment result obtained upon an adjustment operation performed by one of the image display device and the controller to the other one of the image display device and the controller, and

wherein said control step selectively executes one of said second adjustment step in the image display device and said first adjustment step in the controller to perform necessary adjustment by said one adjustment step when the detection result transferred in the transfer step is an environmental change requiring adjustment by said one of said first and second adjustment steps.

13. (Previously Presented) The control method according to claim 11, wherein said second detection step detects a change in brightness, and said first adjustment step performed in the controller comprises an adjustment operation corresponding to a change in brightness.

- 14. (Previously Presented) The control method according to claim 11, wherein said second detection step detects a change in color temperature, and said second adjustment step performed in the image display device comprises a color temperature adjustment operation.
- 15. (Previously Presented) The control method according to claim 11, wherein said first detection step detects a busy telephone signal, and said second adjustment step performed in the image display device comprises a volume adjustment operation.
- 16. (Previously Presented) The control method according to claim 11, wherein an adjustment result in the second adjustment step is informed to the controller.
- 17. (Currently Amended) A computer program product for controlling operation of an image display control system having a controller for outputting a signal including at least a pair of video and acoustic signals, and an independent image display device for receiving a signal from the controller and displaying a corresponding image, comprising code for performing:
- a first detection step of detecting a first <u>ambient</u> an environment <u>around</u> of the controller, the first detection step being executed in the controller;
- a second detection step of detecting a second <u>ambient</u> environment <u>around of the image display device, the second detection step being executed in the image display device;</u>
- a first adjustment step of adjusting a first characteristic of the image display device, the first adjustment step being executed in the controller;

a second adjustment step of adjusting a second characteristic of the image display device, the second adjustment step being executed in the image display device; and a controlling step of selectively executing the first and second adjustment steps in accordance with at least one of the detection results each detection result in the first detection step and the second detection step.

18. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable storage medium which stores a computer program for controlling operation of an image display control system having a controller for outputting a signal including at least a pair of video and acoustic signals, and an independent image display device for receiving a signal from the controller and displaying a corresponding image, the computer program comprising code for executing:

a detection step of detecting a first <u>ambient</u> environment <u>around</u> of the controller, the first detection step being executed in the controller;

a second detection step of detecting a second <u>ambient</u> environment <u>around</u>

of the image display device, the second detection step being executed in the image display

device;

a first adjustment step of adjusting a first characteristic of the image display device, the first adjustment step being executed in the controller;

a second adjustment step of adjusting a second characteristic of the image display device, the second adjustment step being executed in the image display device; and a controlling step of selectively executing one of the first and second adjustment steps in accordance with at least one of the detection results each detection result in the first detection step and the second detection step.

- 19. (Previously Presented) The image display control system according to claim 5, wherein the adjustment operation is a contrast adjustment operation.
- 20. (Previously Presented) The control method according to claim 13, wherein the adjustment operation is a contrast adjustment operation.